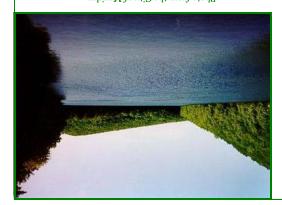
The reservoir, Crescent Lake, was built by the Bradley and Hubbard Manufacturing Company for its use in the late in 1927. Then International Silver acquired the property for use as a reliable source of water for its manufacturing processes. When International Silver relocated, it gave the City special permission to connect into their now unused reservoir. The reservoir now unused reservoir.

Photo from the City of Meriden



Mt. Lamentation and its peak, Chauncey Peak, provide spectacular views of Hartford, Middlesex, and New Haven counties.

Mount Lamentation was named in 1636 when a member of Wethersfield Colony became lost and was found by a search party three days later on this ridge, twelve miles versy whether the Lamentation refers to his behavior or that of those looking for him. In 1735 a group of looking for him. In 1735 a group of ern edge of this mountain in an attempt to find gold, as quartz formations there seemed promis-

ridges ascent of the Metacomet Ridge and approaching Mt. Lamentation. Located in the northeast corner of Meriden, the trails connect to the Mattabessett Trail (a Connecticut Blue-Blazed Trail) and are open to the general public. The trails have easy terrain particularly around the Crescent Lake shore with steeper areas along the trap rock

Giuffrida Park was originally part of an area farmed in the late 1600's and early 1700's by Jonathan Gilbert and later Captain Andrew Belcher. This farm, the first gion, became known as the "Meriden Farm" - from which the whole area eventually took its name. Today, the Park contains name. Today, the Park contains and is adjacent to the Meriden and is adjacent to the Meriden and is adjacent to the Meriden

### **Directions and Parking:**

To get to Giuffrida Park, travel along I-91 either north or south. Take Exit 20 and proceed west (left off exit from north or left, then right from the south) onto Country Club Road. The Park entrance is on the right.

Parking areas are readily available at the Park. Trails start at the Crescent Lake parking lot.

### **Permitted Activities:**

Hiking and biking is permitted. Picnic tables are also available. Crescent Lake is a reserve water supply therefore, swimming, rock climbing, and boating are prohibited. Fishing is also prohibited.

# For more information about this location, contact:

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